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SUBJECT: LOCAL WORK WEEK

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1. ALGERIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICE HOURS AS FOLLOWS:

0800 TO 1200 HRS AND 1430 TO 1800 HRS MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. SATURDAY MORNING PIPP TO 1"00 HRS. HOURS FOR NATIONAL SOCIETIES ARE THE SAME EXCEPT THAT THEY DO NOT WORK SATURDAYS.

2. AS MOST BUSINESS IS TRANSACTED AT GOVERNMENT OFFICES, OR NATIONAL SOCIETIES, THESE ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT WORKING HOURS TO CONFORM TO. SOME PRIVATE FIRMS WORK SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT HOURS, BUT THE DIFFERENCES ARE NEGLIGIBLE. SUMMER HOURS DIFFER IN THAT THE LUNCH HOUR IS LONGER, USUALLY UNTIL 1500 OR 1530 HRS.

3. EMBASSY ALGIERS WORKS MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 0830 TO 1230 HRS AND 1330 TO 1730. HRS.

4. AS A GENERAL RULE IT IS EASIER FOR BUSINESSMEN TO GET APPOINTMENTS IN THE MORNING HOURS, ESPECIALLY IN SUMMER.PARKER

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